

**TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**  
**MONTHLY REPORT: November 2003**

- The Council held their regular monthly meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> at the offices of the Road Commission for Oakland County in Waterford, Michigan.
- Data Collection: The collection effort of road condition data was completed during the month of November. A total of 43,066.2 miles of roads and freeway ramps were rated. Staff is in the process of checking the data for errors. It is anticipated that we will have the data available for Council review by the January meeting.
- Data Agency: The Council selected the Center for Geographic Information (CGI), Michigan Department of Information Technology, to serve as the central data agency required by MCL 247.659(a). The Council reviewed and approved a draft contract that would cover a period of 3 years and instructed staff to work out the final technical language. The State Transportation Commission approved the selection of CGI and the contract (contingent upon final Commission audit review and approval). Staff is currently working with CGI representatives to develop a budget based upon the tasks approved in the contract. Staff anticipates having the budget authorization and final contract language available at the January meeting. Both the contract and the authorization will then have to be approved by the State Administrative Board.
- Michigan Townships Association Representative: John Elsinga resigned his position on the Council. MTA recommended to the State Transportation Commission the selection of Gerald Richards, Manager of the Charter Township of Meridian to fill out the remainder of the term. The State Transportation Commission approved the appointment of Mr. Richards at their November meeting.
- Multi-Year Program: Staff has assembled into one spreadsheet the list of projects that have been submitted by the various MPOs and regional planning agencies, and MDOT. Staff is going over the list to ensure uniformity of information. It is anticipated we will have the list in a draft form for Council review and acceptance at the January meeting.

A bill (HB 5231) has been introduced in the Michigan House of Representatives that would amend the section of the law requiring the publishing of the Multi-Year Program. The bill would require a 2/3 approval from the townships of a particular county prior to that county road commission publishing their list of projects.